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1. KOREAN PRESS DECEMBER 25 GAVE PROMINENT FRONT PAGE
COVERAGE TO REPORTED STATEMENT OF NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
SPEAKER CHONG IL-KWON THAT ROK WOULD WELCOME IMPROVEMENT
IN RELATIONS WITH USSR. CHONG WAS SPEAKING AT A PRESS CON-
FERENCE IN NEW DELHI DURING HIS PARLIAMENTARY VISIT TO INDIA.

2. CHONG REPORTEDLY WAS ASKED IF RECENT ESTABLISHMENT
OF AMBASSADORIAL LEVEL RELATIONS WITH INDIA COULD LEAD TO
IMPROVED RELATIONS WITH SOVIET UNION AND OTHER EAST EUROPEAN
COUNTRIES. IN REPLY CHONG QUOTED AS SAYING THAT ROK "DOORS
ARE WIDE OPEN", AND THAT TRADE WITH EASTERN EUROPEAN
COUNTRIES IS "A GOOD THING WHEREVER AND WHENEVER
POSSIBLE".
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